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SUBJECT:

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION HAS BEEN TAKEN FROM DEPARTMENT OF STATE'S CABLES REGARDING THE PRESUMPTIVE DEATH OF YOUR SON, VERN PICKUP: A PRIVATE COMMERCIAL AIRLINER CARRYING FUEL CRASHED AND BURNED AT POCHENTONG APRIL 11 AT 0730 HOURS, KILLING 3 OF THE 4 CREW MEMBERS. YOUR SON, VERN WAS BELIEVED TO BE ONE OF THE THREE KILLED. POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION AT PHNOM PENH WAS IMPOSSIBLE DUE TO SEVERE BURNS AND OTHER PHYSICAL CONDITIONS. THE REMAINS WERE TAKEN TO MORTUARY AT CALMETTE HOSPITAL, PHNOM PENH FOR IDENTIFICATION. HOWEVER, AS POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION OF THE REMAINS WAS NOT MADE PRIOR TO THE CLOSING OF OUR EMBASSY AT PHNOM PENH, YOUR SON, VERN IS REPORTED AS MISSING. KISSINGER

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